Recreation Board Meeting Agenda
September 18, 2018 5:30pm
Rec Lobby Meeting Room

I. Call to Order
   5:34pm

II. Roll Call and Introductions
    Patty McConnell, David Schofield, Ryan Coval, Margie Rodgers, Nicole LaRocque, Rafe Kossak, Joshua Walters, Wyatt Guernsey, Varsha Rao, Rex Laceby, Alec Michels

III. Changes/Approval of Agenda Items
    Motion: Ryan
    Second: Varsha
    Approved: Rafe
    Motion to discuss Sept 4 minutes
    Motion: Varsha
    Second: Rex
    Approved: Rafe

IV. Public Forum (15 minutes)
    None

V. Old Business
    Rex: Didn't recognize Tau Kappa Epsilon, Greek organization so I went to talk to UMC because I was concerned with the fraternity philanthropy and where the money was going.

    Rafe: Appreciate the research. Encourage folks to do research if unsure about an event or organization. I didn’t know which ones were affiliated or not. I believe money from the tournament goes right to St. Jude’s.

    Patty: The fraternities pay 100% of the rental fee for all three courts.

    Rex: All three courts seems like a lot of space for this event.
Rafe: Maybe all houses will attend.

Patty: Typically they have representation from all houses for philanthropies to support each other’s events.

Rafe: Can we get final financial statements from them so we can see how much money was raised?

Patty: I think we can ask for this information, but this seems to be out of our scope since we serve as a rental facility only.

Rex: I think it’s in the scope. A lot of organizations talk about what they do, community outreach, but this group seemed all about themselves.

Nicole: Can I ask if they are paying 100%? If yes, it becomes a facility rental. I will suggest it’s beyond our scope of business, unless it’s a group that has a conflict of interest. But if we are talking about brotherhood versus sorority, it’s not about what they stand for. The real question is, is this a good reason/event to displace students?

Patty: We always vet events when they come to us to make sure it doesn’t displace students. It’s more of a space issue than anything else.

Rafe: I do agree with Rex about scope. Like you said it is a business decision. What we are saying is, are we willing to displace our students based on what they stand for. This is worth displacing students because they are raising money for a charitable cause. We are strengthening what we are part of. We have a part in raising money. We want to know the outcome. Is it improper to ask how they do?

Patty: We already vet requests before bringing it before the board. We take the group for their word. The other piece is that we have a revenue goal. We aren’t shopping for people for our space, but not looking for displacing students either.

Rafe: What if they said they were raising money for a party?

Patty: It wouldn’t go far since I would red flag it.

Nicole: We don’t always rent for profit, such as basketball tournaments that are not philanthropic.

Alec: Seeing the impact on the Rec would be good. Any positive image of the Rec would be something good to see. Even stuff outside of the campus, such as a basketball tournament. It shows our community outreach and it does have value. It’s a gray space with our scope as it’s not part of the business arrangement.

Rafe: I agree, I think it would be something good for them to share. It looks good for the Rec and the group. We also get to know what space is being used and how the event is going. Everyone wins in this instance.

Patty: Something we can spin in a positive way. We could add a group reserve the space and explain why the area is closed. We could talk to Annie about adding this to the Rec web page.
Alec: Do you know what the usage is for those courts?

Patty: Participation numbers are really low up until 12pm. Couldn’t give you exact numbers, but having the upper courts available for drop-in helps a lot.

Alec: I would like to see those numbers.

Rafe: What is open turf?

David: Turf fit.

Patty: It’s in the morning this semester from 9-11am weekdays.

Nicole: It used to be in the afternoon last spring.

Rafe: Somewhere there is a conflict on the web and says it’s the wrong time. I’ll ask them where they found it.

VI. New Business

Rafe: Currently there have been issues with graduate students and their access to the Rec. I got a large email from Jesse Newbaum, UGGS representative.

Varsha: I can speak to it.

Patty: I want to start off by saying that Tony Price and Nan Lu are not here tonight. I would like them to be present for this discussion so I think we should bring it up when they are here. I asked David Schofield, Guest Services Manager to be present for any immediate questions.

Varsha: There seems to be a change to the structure on how grad students are bring charged. Now you can’t access the Rec until you pay $22 more dollars. It looks like you are paying the Rec fees and then you have to pay more.

Rafe: It’s approximately $150 plus $22.

Varsha: For some reason this is just starting this year even though the bull passed in 2011.

David: The student activity fee – splits between a few cost centers for example, UMC, Rec Center, CSI, so that total fee is ballpark $300. This is the third incoming freshman class that is guaranteed their student fees for the next four years, a fixed amount that won’t change.

There was a change to how we detect status and fees: With the CU Boulder Tuition Guarantee there are now different full fee amounts for the Student Activity Fee, depending when you start at CU ($286, $288, or $300). That used to be the fee that was flagged/reported for membership, but we switched to the Rec Expansion Fee to capture everyone that is a full fee paying student but paying a different amount for the Student Activity Fee. Everyone who pays the full Rec Expansion Fee also pays the full Activity Fee and are included in the Member File. This also captured the “Status G” students that pay partial Rec Expansion ($85) and full Student Activity Fees. They were previously included in the member file because it only looked for Student Activity Fee but should not have been included. Now that we flag the Rec Expansion Fee some grad students statuses are being detected that have not paid the full fees.

i. Recent changes to how we receive the Member File:

• Jan 2017 - Transferred Member File feed from OIT to UIS
Aug 2017 - Ran into issue with the varying amounts of Student Activity Fee - Returning students paying $286 were not included (less than $300 for the incoming class). This was the first time there were different amounts of Full Fees.

Oct 2017 - Learned that the UIS file only checked for Student Activity Fee (not Rec Expansion)
  - Had previously been operating under the assumption/criteria from OIT:
    Selection criteria for Member file: Current students in CS-SIS who have been assessed full student fees for the current term.

Dec 2017 - Decided to switch to Rec Expansion Fee Flag, this would correctly apply the membership to undergrads as well as grad students. The full Rec Expansion Fee for Fall/Spring is $106.96, so using something just under that as the minimum would capture full fee, and filter out partial ($85.27) or no Rec Expansion fee.

Summer 2018 - implemented the changes to Rec Member File Feed including the fee flag as Rec Expansion

ii. Membership Status
  - Status B - partial Rec ($85) and partial Student Activity ($48)
    a. Rec Membership = $88
  - Status D - no Rec Expansion and partial Student Activity ($48)
    a. Rec Membership = $173
  - Status G - partial Rec ($85) and full Student Activity
    a. Rec Membership = $22

iii. Membership Sales for Fall 2018 (Aug 27 – Sept 13)
  - Status B: 9
  - Status D: 55
  - Status G: 90

Varsha: Does that offset each incoming class?

David: 3 different amounts. Activity fee and rec expansion fee. Rec access guaranteed to full fee paying students. Three different classifications where they are paying 3 different amounts. We get reports to see who is paying the full fees which grants access. We offer three memberships that make up the difference for partial paying members. So they pay partial on activity and Rec expansion fees.

Varsha: What does status G get classified? I couldn’t locate status G.

David: We look for the amounts on the student’s bill from the Bursar, but I don’t know the reason for the G classification.

Varsha: Grad students have to pay for the Rec but not able to access it?

David: Grad students are paying a portion of the fees. There was a change in how we receive the member feed. Previously we received the feed from OIT, but we switched and now received from UIS which they do this for multiple campuses and departments. The Rec also
had to make a change. Before we saw one full amount from activity fee and Rec expansion fee. When this came up we had to figure out how we were going to assign our memberships based on status B and G.

Varsha: Was that last spring?

David: Spring 2017 Rec Board approved the change. Now that there are multiple amounts we had to look at how students are paying fees.

Varsha: Did this change happen last year? Was it based on how you receive the feed from UIS? Is that why this is happening now?

David: One year ago we ran into an issue where returning students were paying $286 and were not included in the file, so we had to do a work around. We worked with UIS that was pulling the student list and we found out they were only checking for the full activity fee and not full Rec expansion fee. When we switched the fee flag to Rec expansion is when the grad students were being asked to pay the remaining $22. Previously this group of grad students flew under radar because they didn't pay the full Rec expansion fee. Everyone who pays full Rec expansion fee pays the full activity fee. Definition wise we always had different categories, but operationally they might have had access. We wanted to make sure we capture all the different fee amounts. The intent was not to capture grad students who were only paying some fees.

Varsha: Does that bottom fee get changed every year when you were talking about the tuition guarantee.

David: That was the membership fee proposal. No matter what, we are always going to price the student fees at the lowest number, so they do not pay less than anyone else such as faculty and staff.

Rafe: Do you feel comfortable taking that back to UGGS?

Varsha: It seems like more of a clerical error. Frustration of paying fees and then walking in the Rec and having to pay more money is the concern.

David: We talked about lumping in.

Varsha: Torn on that. There's a lot of grad students who don't use the Rec.

David: We are only seeing the portion of the students who use the Rec Center, I don't know how many aren't using it. It's tricky because that group is paying the highest amount of partial fees, but not enough.

Rafe: There's students who are in that group but don't pay $22?

David: Guest Services is very flexible in the beginning of the semester, for a few weeks. Some grad students may have been let through on a temporary basis. If we looked at their fees, they should be showing the same throughout the semester and should be paying. We are flexible in the beginning of the semester, so someone who should pay the $22 might have been let in.

Rafe: If someone could send me the legislation on student G status, it seems like there are small discrepancies in grad student classification. I could go back to Jesse and follow up.

Varsha: You know if you're B or C, but status G doesn't come up.

Patty: The bursar told grad students who pay $85 is sufficient, but it is not, so we have to contact their office.
Rafe: It seems like a $0.30 discrepancy. I would like to know where status G comes from. Legislation doesn’t show status G. There’s a lost status and that’s where the issue is coming from.

David: I can reach out to the Bursar office and ask them. Also, Nan would know. She may have some info on where it originated. She can help define.

Rafe: That would be great. Varsha can you pass along. I will wait to follow up with Nan and follow up with the Bursar.

Varsha: Can you email me?

Rafe: Any final words?

Varsha: As long as we know why it’s coming up.

David: There’s certainly people who are frustrated.

Rafe: Any other new business?

VII. Chair’s Report

Rafe: New ratified members. Gabriel can't make meetings so I’m going to see what his future is. I’m going to send another email out to tri members. That’s the primary stuff. I did want to report on gaming and e-sports. We threw our first event at the Atlas lobby for CU gaming and CU Boulder e-sports. 280 people showed up. We had Microsoft with 9 X0boxes, 10 surfaces, we played Mario Kart on Atlas big screen. Had to keep people from coming in for fire hazard. We had a pretty good night, we had Tekken, board games being played. We are going to pass on pictures.

Patty: When did that happen?

Rafe: Last Friday.

Patty: Did you submit an EMF?

Rafe: No, our RSVP on our site was 160 people. Gaming is going really well and want to keep the Rec involved. CSI wants us to speak to our group. If it falls under the Rec, it’s important for the Rec to be involved in the future.

VIII. Director’s Report

Tony not present.

IX. Executive Team Reports

Nicole: Almost 700 IM passes sold after I shared at the last meeting. Reminder – Take Care Street Fair September 25th, 3pm-6pm, Sewall field, produce, bag, buff

Rafe: Student Leaders Reception going on the same time.

Nicole: You have to go through the whole fair, it will be great.

Patty: Met with Hadleigh Schwartz, homecoming chair. We partnered last April on the study day before finals. I asked is she wants to do something with homecoming and Rec Recess this
fall? Rec recess is take time to play, set up yard games and have food available. In between classes, take time and have fun. September 25th, 11am-1pm, hopefully on Buffalo Plaza. Hadleigh is meeting with Prema from marketing through Athletics. She would like to have student orgs participate and have interactive booths, not just passing out information. The Rec would set up yard games for fun. She wants a carnival type event. If not Buff plaza, then Sewall field will be the location.

I’m also trying to connect with the contact on campus about vending machine healthy options; I have pictures from UCD healthy vending machines. We want to emulate what UCD is doing, have better options for Rec students.

Dave put together spreadsheet with high usage times for the Rec. The week of September 3, Asterisk is Labor Day and we opened at 9am instead of 6am. Dave, would you like to add anything from Guest Services?

Dave: It’s always busy the first couple of weeks, sold out all lockers except small in the women’s locker room.

X. CUSG Report

Rafe: No CUSG report because no one is here. Something I believe, we need more large lockers.

Patty: Do you have a proposal Rafe?

Rafe: No I don’t, but I have been here every day on the first day for the last 3 years and I never get a large locker.

Rex: Do alumni and retirees get to rent lockers? I don’t think they should because they take away from our students.

Dave: Anyone who has a membership can rent a locker. Once you are in the door, everyone is treated the same.

Rafe: Do we still have medium and smalls?

Dave: Men’s lockers are sold out, women’s have some smalls. If we want to add large lockers, we can convert some. If we convert 3 small lockers into one large locker, we are taking 3 spaces for one person. The layout right now is working well, half the locker room is for day use and the other half is rental.

Varsha: I feel like the day use lockers are all empty.
Rex: As much as I love lockers, I don’t think it’s fair for students to not have access to a locker. I feel like if someone is grandfathered in, we are going to run out of space. I think we should address now.

Rafe: One of the biggest issues is that there are no other places for me to store my stuff. I don’t have a place to store my backpack and my suit and the rest of my stuff, so I can’t workout for the day, I won’t leave my stuff out of the locker. For me it’s not as big a deal, but for other students they don’t have a place to store their personal items. I don’t think the answer is converting lockers, I think providing an opportunity for students to store their stuff.

Rex: Can we pull those numbers to see how many are occupied by non-students. Can we have priorities?

Dave: I don’t think we can correlate the lockers with their status.

Patty: Are we sold out of the hockey lockers in the rink?

Dave: Almost.

Patty: We can look at other day use lockers in areas around the Rec. Rental lockers for students who can leave their stuff for the day. We can look at other options.

Dave: We can look at just large lockers and look it up manually.

Rafe: I appreciate it and like looking into options. The reason I say this is because I had conversations with other people who know there aren’t enough large lockers. This happens multiple times throughout the day. Just sometimes to think about moving forward.

Alec: I know for me it’s not hard to get a day use locker. Lockers immediately when you enter the locker room are used, so put more rentals in the back.

Rafe: Can you put a suit in slim lockers? Try to balance college and business life is another challenge.

Alec: In the business school lockers are the same size as the small locker in the locker rooms. If this is a safe haven for suits, then we could sell more lockers if we had them.

Rafe: Can you bring this up in Business School?

Alec: I can for Business fraternities. I have friends who would use them.

Dave: CASE building has a lot of unused space.

Rex: They are not going to like this idea.

Rafe: Maybe we can look at options in the Rec locker rooms to make a change.

Rex: Patty’s idea would be good for the career fairs. Trying to look at an idea for bag drop at career fair.
Rafe: I think the university should look at the locker situation.
Patty: We’ll walk the building to see what spaces are available for possible day use lockers.
Rex: Donor locker, people may pay money for a locker to have their name on it.
Dave: We used to have a wait list.

XI. Announcements

Rafe: If anyone wants a discount meal card for UMC, they are upstairs at the admin suite if you want to grab it today, 65% off.

XII. Adjournment

Moved to adjourn at 6:43pm by Alec
Second: Ryan
Rafe: Motion approved